Only a Dream in Rio

James Taylor

More than a distant land
Over a shining sea
More than the steaming green
More than the shining eyesWell they tell me it's only a dream in Rio
And nothing could be as sweet as it seems on this very first day down
They remind me, son, have you so soon forgotten?
Often as not it's rotten inside and the mask soon slips awayStrange taste of a tropical fruit
Romantic language of the Portuguese
Melody on a wooden flute
Somba floating in the summer breezeTake it easyIt's alright you can stay asleep
You can close your eyes
You can trust the people of paradise
To call your keeper and tender your goodbyesOh what a night, wonderful one in a million
Frozen fire, Brazilian stars, oh holy Southern Cross
Later on take me way downtown in a tin can, I
Can't come down from the bandstand, I'm
Never thrown for such a loss when they sayQuando a nossa me acordar
Andaremos ao sol
Quando a nossa me acordar
Cantara pelo serto
Quando a nossa mae acordar
Todos os filhos sabero
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E se alegraroCaught in the rays of the rising sun
On the run from the soldier's gun
Shouting out loud from the angry crowd
The mild the wild and the hungry child
I'll tell you there's more than a dream in RioI was there on the very day and my heart came back alive
There was more
More than the singin' voices
More than the upturned faces
And more than the shining eyesBut it's more than the shining eye
More than the steaming green
More than the hidden hills
More than the concrete Christ
More than a distant land
Over a shining sea
More than a hungry child
More like another time

Born of a million years
More than a million years

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